

## RESOLUTION NO. A-\_\_\_\_\_

1 WHEREAS, the City Council of Lincoln, Nebraska, is authorized under Sections  
2 17.60.020 and 17.60.030 of the Lincoln Municipal Code to establish wastewater charges for all  
3 customers of the Lincoln Wastewater System.

4 WHEREAS, Both the Mayor's Advisory Committees, Streets, Roads and Trails (SRT)  
5 and the Mayor's Infrastructure Finance Committee (MIFC) support the wastewater rate  
6 increases proposed by the City's Public Works & Utilities Department over the next 10 years,  
7 to help finance the infrastructure needs identified in the City's Capital Improvement Program.  
8 The current projections acknowledge the need for approval of a 9% user fee increase for Fiscal  
9 Year 2005-06; a 9% increase for Fiscal Year 2006-07; and a 7% increase for Fiscal Year 2007-  
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11 WHEREAS, Lincoln's wastewater infrastructure is a necessary component and is  
12 required under city charter to be provided to all areas served within the city limits.

13 And WHEREAS, Lincoln's wastewater rates have historically remained low, and even  
14 with the proposed rate increases will continue this tradition of competitive rates within the  
15 region and nationally.

16 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Lincoln,  
17 Nebraska:

18 Effective with the billing cycle commencing on November 15, 2005, the following  
19 schedule of wastewater use charges is hereby established and adopted:

**BASIC WASTEWATER USE CHARGE**

21 (a) The basic wastewater use unit charge is hereby established as 132.5 cents.

22 (b) For any given residential property, the basic wastewater use charge for each billing

1 cycle shall be determined by multiplying for each such cycle the total amount of water, in  
2 hundreds of cubic feet, metered for said property during a billing cycle chosen by the Director  
3 from the most recent past winter, by the basic wastewater use unit charge.

4 In the case of change of occupancy of residential property, if the Director reasonably  
5 determines that to compute the basic wastewater use charge for a given billing cycle upon the  
6 amount of water used by such property during such winter billing cycle would be inequitable  
7 either to the City or to the user, he shall use the average amount of water used by like users  
8 during such winter billing cycle to compute such charge.

9 (c) For any non-residential property, the basic wastewater use charge for a given billing  
10 cycle shall be determined by multiplying for each cycle the amount of water or wastewater, in  
11 hundreds of cubic feet, measured for said property during such cycle, by the basic wastewater  
12 use unit charge.

13 (d) Non-residential users shall be given credit, at the same rate, for water not discharged  
14 into the sanitary sewers provided such water is separately metered with the approval of the  
15 Public Utilities Department and at the customer's expense.

16 (e) Where a wastewater flow meter or other wastewater measuring device is required  
17 or permitted by the Director and is used to measure the volume of wastewater discharged into  
18 the Lincoln Wastewater System, such wastewater use charge shall be computed thereon at the  
19 basic wastewater use unit charge.

#### 20 SERVICE CHARGE

21 Regardless of whether a wastewater meter is used, there shall be a service charge per  
22 month to each property using the Lincoln Wastewater System, determined by the number and  
23 size of the water meters serving such property, to-wit:

1	WATER METER SIZE	SERVICE CHARGE
2	5/8 inch	\$ 1.31
3	3/4 inch	1.31
4	1 inch	1.31
5	1-1/2 inch	2.62
6	2 inch	5.24
7	3 inch	11.79
8	4 inch	20.96
9	6 inch	47.17
10	8 inch	83.85
11	10 inch	131.02

12           The minimum service charge for a multiple dwelling unit or a mobile home shall be at  
13   least \$0.78 per dwelling unit or mobile home hookup space per month. In those instances where  
14   fire protection considerations dictate that a water meter larger than 1-inch service a single-  
15   family dwelling unit located on a single lot, the monthly service charge shall be \$1.31 per  
16   dwelling unit.

17                               WASTEWATER RATES TO CUSTOMERS OUTSIDE  
18   THE CITY LIMITS

19           Customers located outside the City Limits of Lincoln and served by the Lincoln  
20   Wastewater System shall pay the same Wastewater rates charged to customers within the City  
21   Limits of Lincoln for service furnished them by the Lincoln Wastewater System.

22           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Resolution No. A-82997, adopted by the City  
Council on September 27, 2004, is hereby superseded.

Introduced by:

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Approved as to Form & Legality:

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City Attorney

Approved:

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Director of Public Works/Utilities

Approved this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2005:

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Mayor

